

FIRST NATIONAL BANK AT LONDON IS CLOSED

Capital of Laurel County Institution Impaired, According to National Examiner Kincheloe.

London, Ky., April 3.—As a result of a wholesale withdrawal of deposits, following rumors of strained financial conditions the First National Bank was forced to close its doors today by order of the Comptroller of Currency. National Bank Examiner W. P. Kincheloe, who has been here for two or three days making an examination of the bank, declines to make any statement relative to the cause of the suspension or the condition of the bank.

This bank was established in 1888 and has always been considered one of the strongest and safest banks in Eastern Kentucky. The last published report of condition as of March 4, shows individual deposits subject to check, amounting to \$263,000, time deposits, \$44,000; loans and discounts, \$281,000 and paid in capital stock, \$50,000.

The suspension of the bank has caused great excitement in London and Laurel County and much harm to business will result. It is not likely that any depositor will lose anything when matters are finally adjusted. Cashier McCalla Fitzgerald and President W. B. Catching express the hope that the suspension will only be temporary, and that business will be resumed in the near future.

Mrs. H. H. Owens Gives Informal Reception

On last Wednesday afternoon from three to five o'clock Mrs. H. H. Owens was hostess at one of the most beautiful informal receptions of the season.

Mrs. Owens was assisted in receiving her guests by Miss Gertrude Black.

The house was artistically decorated in yellow and white flowers, with the exception of the parlor which was in pink and green. After an hour spent in pleasant repartee the guests repaired to the dining room which was especially attractive in yellow roses, ferns and calla lilies.

Mrs. James Miller and Mrs. W. C. Black served the refreshments of ices, cakes and candies, which were also in the prevailing colors.

The guests present were:

Mesdames

Alex Somers, J. A. Tuggle, J. Lynn Golden, S. T. Davidson, J. D. Tuggle, Chas. Rathfon, G. H. Albright, John Tye, W. H. McDonald, James Miller, W. C. Black, J. A. Black, Archibald, J. D. Black, Ella Black, John Parker, J. W. Hughes, Moon, L. W. Farmer, Frank Hawn, Margaret Bynley Ed Faulkner.

Misses

Rachel Tye, Nellie Prater, Myrtle Cole, Norma Elliott, Lucy Tinsley, Gertrude Black, Jess Dickenson, Eva Swearingen.

Another Glad Father.

On Wednesday morning, April 8th there was born to the wife of James Golden, (cousin Jim) a big boy, weight about nine pounds. He is christened "Leslie," and it is predicted by the father that young Leslie will be a doctor of prominence. The mother and babe are doing nicely, and it is thought the father will recover with proper attention.

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GOOD ROADS CAMPAIGN IS PLANNED IN OLDHAM

LaGrange and Crestwood in Movement for Thoroughfare Between Towns

(Lexington Herald.)

LaGrange, Ky., April 3.—A good roads campaign is being planned by the citizens of LaGrange and Crestwood and people living between the two towns, to build a road that will be good for travel all the year round for all sorts of vehicles. Large contributions of money and labor have been promised and a day will be set to begin work. The Fiscal Court will be asked to donate an amount equal to the private subscription.

Busy, Well, I Should Say Yes.

Judge W. W. Tinsley, Referee in Bankruptcy, is the busiest man in town. He held court three days in Pineville, two in Middlesboro, and Thursday left for Mount Sterling, for a three days hitch, and Monday of next week will go to Harlan for a day. He is not being pressed now as he will be a little later as soon as this Democratic prosperity that is striking the country gets in a good way going.

FOOD SALE!

GIVEN BY LADIES' AID SOCIETY, M. E. CHURCH

DAVIDSON BUILDING

Saturday, April eleventh, all day, The Ladies Aid Society, of the First M. E. Church, will serve good things to eat, in the 'movie room' of the Davidson building, and you are cordially invited to attend this Food Sale. Ices, Cream, Sherbet and Cake will be served at all hours during the entire day, besides there will be many other edibles suited to just any man's taste, and prices are, always correct, come and bring half a dozen of the boys with you.

NEW LIGHT PLANT FOR CITY

We have been informed by the managers of the Electric Light, Heat and Power Company, that they will have the new machinery for the plant here within the next few days, and as soon as men and money can place same in running condition the new system will be started. We note with much interest the improvement of the new lines of poles erected by the company, they are certainly a credit to the ones first erected, and if the remainder of the apparatus is in keeping with the poles, the light plant will be a success in this little city.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH.

There will be the usual services at the Christian Church next Sunday. The morning service will be one of special interest. There will be some special music for the occasion. The subject for the morning sermon will be "The Empty Tomb." The subject for the evening discourse will be "Things Unseen and Eternal." Next Sunday will most probably be the last day that the congregation will worship in the old house. All are invited.

Case of Mistaken Purpose.

"Does your father object to kissing?" "I don't know. Shall I tell him that you would like to kiss him?"

CONGRESS MAY PROBE INSURANCE CONCERNS

(Lexington Herald.)

Frankfort, Ky., April 3.—That a probe of the fire insurance companies of America will be conducted by Congress unless the fire insurance companies comply with the Greene-Glenn law is the prediction of Representative Frank Greene. Returning from Washington today, Greene said the investigation would be advocated by Congressman Cantrill.

Greene and Ruby Laffoon, chairman of the Rating Board, were closeted for most of the day. Collection of insurance data preparatory to the Congressional investigation is being made by Insurance Commissioner M. C. Olay.

Commissioner of Agriculture, Newman, today stated that he would attend the meeting of the managers of the workmen's compensation fund at Lansing, Michigan, April 14. Being a member of the Kentucky Board, Mr. Newman is looking for information.

Animals Have Odd Fears.

Elephants, Lions and Tigers Dislike Mice and Rats.

It is well known that many people have an inexplicable aversion to certain animals. Most people have a horror for snakes and other things that creep the earth. Captain Winfred Gonzales, the Director of the German Zoological Annex, with Sun Brothers' World's Progressive Shows, in speaking of the peculiarities of animals, says: "Animals, like human beings, have their likes and dislikes. Put certain animals together and you will expect a fight, while another two will become the friendliest comrades. Women are proverbial for their horror of mice, but one would hardly expect an elephant to show fear at such a tiny foe. This fear was recently shown at Winter-quarters, Macon, Georgia, where the Sun Brothers spent their Winter months' lay off, during some experiments to find out the likes of animals in a menagerie. The huge animal spotted the mouse as soon as it was placed in its enclosure. The elephant gave evidence of fear immediately.

"With one of his big feet it could have smashed the tiny intruder out of existence. Instead, it stood for a few minutes motionless, and apparently helpless with fright. Not until the mouse had been removed was the elephant to be pacified, and it was some hours before it regained its normal courage."

"Mice, indeed, inspire fear, or something akin to it, in a great many animals. A Bengal tiger trembled and uttered long, mournful howls the whole time that a mouse was in its cage. Two rats were introduced into a lion's cage, and the same fear was shown by the larger animal for the smaller ones. There have been many suggestions put forward for this extraordinary dislike of these large animals for mice. One very probable one is that mice and rats have a peculiar smell which is highly repulsive to their enemies. A Puma, however, has no such fear. When a rat was introduced into its cage, the huge cat made a spring and that rat was a goner."

The Sun Brothers will exhibit their big animal annex and their many clever sights and performances, afternoon and night, on Thursday, April 16th, at Barbourville, Ky.

Job printing at this office.

Death of W. J. Caudill.

We were pained to learn of the death of Hon. W. J. Caudill, formerly of this place, now of Hobart, Oklahoma, who died suddenly at his home last Sunday.

Mr. Caudill came to this county about the year 1889, and went into the mercantile business, and made a success. He was a staunch member of the Baptist Church, and was once a State Senator. He was a very progressive man, and did a great deal for the fellow that was in the ditch. Mr. Caudill was here the past summer shaking hands with his old friends, and while here renewed his old friendship and acquaintances. He will be missed by his many friends both here and in Hobart.

A Pretty Wedding

As we announced last week in the Advocate, one of the prettiest weddings for many years was that of Mr. W. S. Hudson and Miss Ida Cole, at the Presbyterian Church, Tuesday at 1 o'clock. The Church was beautifully decorated, and the house was filled to overflowing.

Thomas D. Tinsley was best man, and Misses Jess Ballard and Myrtle Cole were bridesmaids; the ceremony was performed by Rev. John MacMillen, Pastor of the Presbyterian Church, and the ceremony was beautiful in language and delivery.

After the ceremony the happy couple were hurriedly taken in an automobile to the Station, where they boarded train No. 12 for an extended trip through the South. They will return in fifteen or twenty days, and take up their residence here where Mr. Hudson has already prepared his residence for occupancy. We wish for them many years of happiness during their voyage over life's rugged sea.

Mr. Hudson is well known and liked here, having been reared in this city; while his amiable wife is also well known, she being the daughter of Hon. P. V. Cole, Asst. State Mine Inspector, is a graduate in Music and art, and is an accomplished young lady of whom we all feel proud.

SPRUE NEWS.

(By Paul.)

Henry Bennett, of Horn Branch was on Goose Creek Saturday.

A large crowd of boys from this neighborhood attended church at Union, Laurel County, Sunday.

Lloyd Abner, Henry and G. G. Cobb made a business trip to Black Water, Laurel Co., last week.

Henry Cobb, of Woolum, passed through here last week enroute to Laurel County.

Ollie Cobb, of Sprue, is taking school census this week.

Jas. Elliott, of Tedders, will be in this part stock buying this week; he is paying good prices, as high as \$16 for calves.

D. T. Smith, of Hammons' Fork was in our town Saturday on business.

Jas. Cobb, one of our popular merchants, filled his regular appointment at Crane Nest Sunday.

We had a good tide last week and the logging men got off with some of their lumber.

Andrew Cobb, of Tedders, was visiting here again last week.

Frank Howard, of Woolum was in our town last week.

Ladies Aid M. E. Church

The Ladies' Aid, M. E. Church, will meet next Friday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock with Mrs. H. H. Owen. Members requested to attend.

Sometimes Seems So.

Virtue is its own reward. But it is a terribly long wait for pay day.

Facts You Ought To Know About

The First National Bank of Barbourville

- 1—The officers of the First National Bank do not borrow any money from it. Neither the President nor the Cashier has ever borrowed a cent from this Bank.
- 2—The books of this Bank are balanced each day.
- 3—The Cash in the Bank is examined and counted each day.
- 4—Each and every loan is made by a loan committee of the bank, and no loan is made unless it is well secured. The Board of Directors each month, examine and pass upon these loans. The result is, the First National Bank, does not hold any uncollectible notes.
- 5—The surplus profits of this Bank, now are more than \$25,000.00. The surplus profit fund is more than the capital. This makes our Bank an "HONOR ROLL" National Bank. The only "Honor roll" National Bank this side of Stanford, Kentucky.
- 6—This Bank is a United States depository, a depository for the United States Court, and for the United States Post Office.
- 7—The Bank owns in the way of money, government bonds, real estate and other property, more than \$300,000.00. The stockholders of this bank are worth more than \$1,000,000.00.
- 8—The best point of all is, this Bank has increased its business nearly three times, in the last three or four years.

Come in and examine our Bank and get acquainted with its officers and methods of doing business.

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PHONE 66.

Canada and Europe. The total area of the Dominion of Canada is only 337,000 square miles less than the whole continent of Europe. In other words, if the state of Texas were added to the Dominion it would be 30,000 square miles larger than all Europe, Great Britain and Ireland.

Reason for Placing Wedding Ring. The third finger is the only one where two principal nerves belong to two distinct trunks; the thumb is supplied with its principal nerves from the radial nerve, as are also the forefinger, the middle finger, and the thumb side of the ring finger, while the ulnar nerve furnishes the little finger, and the other side of the ring finger, at the point of extremity of which a real union takes place; hence the ancient reason for placing the wedding ring on this finger.

Perfection is Positive. Faultless is conceivable, being merely the negation of evil. But Perfection is positive, the attainment of all conceivable excellence.—F. W. Robertson.

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